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It has been so nice out we've kept ourselves busy working around the garden and just waiting for a rainy day to get the News and Views out, guess it cant wait any longer though. - Hope that everyone has uncovered their iris already - if not, you may find a little mildew around your plants.

At the pot-luck supper last meeting we had the "giant economy" size crowd of over fifty five members and guests. The program chairman, Gus Sindt, pulled a fast one on us and we found out when it was too late to escape that we were also the 55 after dinner speakers. Pretty good ones too I guess.

The men all pitched in and did the dishes and they didnt even break a single one. Lydia Franklin did a superb job in arranging the pot-luck.

Adah Anderson is now an accredited judge in the National Garden Flower Society and can judge flower shows anywhere.

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Lorin Franklin is the new president of the Minnesota Peony and Iris Society.

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The official list of accredited judges for Region 8 (Minn. & Wisc.) of the American Iris Society for 1955 follows:

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| Mrs. Esther Berger | 2236 East 42nd St. | Minneapolis 7, Minn. |
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| Mr. Stanley Larson | 11 South 57th Ave. | Duluth 7, Minnesota |
| Mr. Alfred Muller | Curtis Dr. at Wisc.Ave. | Elm Grove, Wisconsin. |
| Mrs. Elsie Peterson | 3731 Oliver Ave. No. | Minneapolis 12, Minn. |
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| Mr W. G. Sindt | 1847 East Ave. | St Paul, Minnesota. |

It is interesting to note that there are at the present time 108 A.I.S. members in Region Eight, fifty-six in Minnesota and fifty-two in Wisconsin. A.I.S. rules permit one judge for each ten members. Mrs Berger is the Regional vice-president.

There have been several changes in the judging of iris shows that are certainly a step in the right direction. We will go into detail regarding them in the next issue of the N&Vs.

Mr and Mrs Vic. Bates are experimenting with bulbous reticulatas..... Mrs. J. J. Wysocky grows japanese iris..... The Gus Sindt's are successfully growing regelias and onoccyvlus iris..... Is anyone trying dutch, English, spuria or Louisiana iris up here ? We are certain they can be grown here.

We noticed in a Reno, Nev. paper that the home of Mr. & Mrs Lloyd Austin of the Rainbow Gardens of Placerville, Calif. was destroyed by fire. Mr. Austin however, managed to save his iris hybridizing records.

Some iris names are as interesting as the iris themselves. While looking through a cook book we found several dishes that have lent their names to iris. We have compiled a short list of iris names that are borrowed from rather unusual sources. Belle Amie is French for friend... Amigo means friend in Spanish ...Centurion is the "commander of the century" Crepe Suzette is a thin dessert pancake Northwestern was named after Northwestern Univ. whose color is also purple....Palomino, a light tan or cream colored horse.... Tabu means forbidden....Tally Ho, a four horse coach or the cry of the huntmen.... The Mad Hatter was taken from Lewis Carroll's Alice In Wonderland....Golden Plover, a yellow spotted bird that migrates from the Arctic to the Antarctic....Amandine, a kind of wine sauce..... Cameroun, an area in western Africa....Marathon, an ancient city of Greece or any long contest....Ola Kala means O.K. in chinese pig latin.....Meranja is a spanish word meaning orange.....Syllabub is a dish made of milk or cream mixed with wine..... Rubient is red or ruby colored.

We have received a very nice letter from Mr Paul Folkers of Owatonna explaining his absence from meetings. Seems like Paul is head over heels in his work and just hasn't had the chance to get up here. He promises to make one of the meetings in the very near future though and in the meantime extends best wishes to all.

Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, April 28th, at 8.00P.M. at Rutherfords Garden Store, 4995 Excelsior Blvd., Minneapolis. Dr. A. A. Granovsky of the entomology dept. of the Univ. of Minn. will be the speaker. We have had the pleasure of listening to Dr. Granovsky previously and can sincerely promise you a most enjoyable evening. Bring your questions and problems regarding garden pests with you.

We would like to pass along a few varietal comments on some of the very new intermediate or miniature type bearded iris. These will bloom just after the dwarf iris and range in height from 10 to 15 inches. The shape and form of these new iris is greatly improved being flared and ruffled. The colors are very sharp and bright. The plants are nicely proportioned to the size of the flowers. Truly a great advancement in early blooming iris.

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| Pagan Midget | 12" | Red purple with velvety black overlay. Light blue beard. |
| Baria | 10" | A lovely clear light yellow self. |
| Blue Flax | 12" | Very blue self. Considered bluer than any tall variety. |
| Pigmy Gold | 10" | A most brilliant orange yellow. |

Green Spot 10" White with a green spot on the falls.
Lilliput 15" Ruffled and flaring lobelia blue. Outstanding.

There are also many more varieties that we havent seen bloom yet.

ATTENTION

Have you paid your dues in the Twin City Iris Society? This will be the last issue of the News and Views you will receive unless your name is included in the membership list which follows. If your name has been omitted by error, please contact your secretary, Mrs L.A. Wright, 3611 Orchard Ave., Minneapolis 22. at once so that the omission can be corrected.

1955 membership list of the Twin City Iris Society (as of March 24th)

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| Mrs Edythe Burns | 1707 77th Ave No | Mpls 12 |
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| Mrs George Cook. | 1001 14th Ave S.S. | Mpls 14 |
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| Lorin Franklin | 5 East 104th St | Mpls 20 |
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| Mrs Harold McCuaig | 5317 Chateau Place | Mpls |
| Miss Marion Moes | 1236 Edgecumbe Road | St Paul, Minn. |
| Jos B. Patzke (Hon) | 5006 Washburn Ave No | Mpls 12 |
| Mrs Elsie Peterson | 3731 Oliver Ave No | Mpls 12 |
| S.J. Rutherford (Hon) | 4995 Excelsior Blvd. | Mpls 16 |
| Mrs Jos. Silitz | 8200 Duluth Ave | Mpls 22 |
| Mrs Clifford Stover | 7014 Fourth Ave So | Mpls 23 |
| Mrs Selmer Swenson | 2935 Russell Ave No | Mpls 11 |
| Mr Don. Swisher | 153 No. Fifth St | Bayport, Minn. |
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| Mrs H.D. VanBuskirk | 979 Fairview Ave So | St Paul, Minn. |

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Membership list for 1955 (cont)

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| Mrs Chester Welte | Box 147 | Bagley, Minn. |
| Mrs L. A. Wright | 3611 Orchard Ave. | Mpls 22 |
| Mrs R. J. Wysocky | Route # 1 | Mound, Minn. |

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| Mr & Mrs Wilbur Sindt | 1847 East Ave. | St Paul, Minn. |
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| Mr & Mrs R.A. Scharf | 1908 Humboldt Ave So | Mpls 5 |
| Mr & Mrs Kenneth Shook | Box 45 | Hopkins, Minn. |
| Mr & Mrs A.R. Smith | 3832 Longfellow Ave | Mpls 7 |
| Mr & Mrs H.E. Schroeder | 1783 Humboldt Ave So | Mpls 5 |
| Mrs J.S. Taylor and Pat | 215 Amherst Ave. | St Paul, Minn. |

Membership dues for the current year are \$ 2.00 for individual membership and \$ 2.50 for family membership. Applications for renewal or new memberships should be mailed to Mrs. L.A. Wright, 3611 Orchard Ave No. Mpls 22, Minn.

To the folks who visited our booth at the recent Minneapolis Builders show, we are very happy to make you a little more acquainted with the Twin City Iris Society. This is a typical issue of our news letter which is printed about eight or nine times a year. We conduct at least eight meetings each year including the Annual Iris Show at the Minneapolis Savings & Loan Assn. and the annual auction sale of iris and other flowers in the Twin city area. We are affiliated with the Minnesota Horticultural Society and the American Iris Society. Our guest speakers are among the leaders in their chosen field and their topics are many and diversified. Our society is a non profitable organization that was created to further increase the popularity and knowledge of the most beautiful of all flowers, the Iris. This we honestly believe we have done and we have enjoyed ourselves while doing it. You are cordially invited to attend our next meeting on Thursday April 28th, at Rutherfords Garden Store, 4995 Excelsior Blvd., Minneapolis. There is no admission charge and refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.
